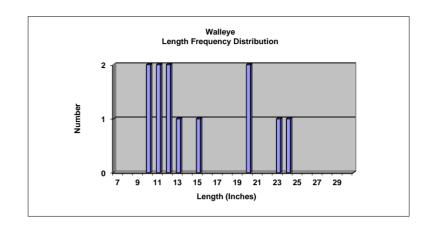


## WISCONSIN DNR FISHERIES INFORMATION SHEET HAYWARD LAKE, SAWYER COUNTY, 2014

The WDNR surveyed Hayward Lake, Sawyer County from April 23 through April 28, 2014 to evaluate the walleye population. Hayward Lake is a 247 acre drainage lake in the Namekagon River basin and has a maximum depth of 27 feet. The fishery includes panfish, largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, northern pike, muskellunge, brown trout and walleye. Hayward Lake has a low density remnant walleye population



<u>Walleye</u>	
Total Captured	12
Avg. Length (in.)	15.1
Length Range (in.)	10-24
% >15"	42%



## **Other Species**

Other species observed in this survey but not included were black crappie, bluegill, brown trout, largemouth bass, muskellunge, pumpkinseed, and yellow perch.

We are also conducting a creel (angler harvest) survey on Hayward Lake this year. Creel clerk Donna Sorenson will count and interview anglers and examine their catch throughout the fishing season.

Stocking History

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Year	Species	Number Fish	Avg Fish		
		Stocked	Length (IN)		
2012	MUSKELLUNGE	247	13		
2010	MUSKELLUNGE	185	13		
2008	MUSKELLUNGE	247	11		
2006	MUSKELLUNGE	136	12		
2004	MUSKELLUNGE	247	11		

A brief summary of selected fishing regulations is included below. While the regulatory information provided was current at the time the surveys were conducted, it is not comprehensive and should not be used as a substitute for the current fishing regulation pamphlet. You may obtain a copy of current fishing regulations when you purchase your fishing license, or download a copy from our web site at: <a href="http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/fishing/regulations/">http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/fishing/regulations/</a>

General Fishing Regulations for Hayward Lake, Sawyer County, 2014

FISH SPECIES	OPEN SEASON	DAILY LIMIT	MINIMUM LENGTH
Walleye	May 03-March 01	5	15" MINIMUM
Largemouth Bass	May 03-March 01	5*	14" MINIMUM
Smallmouth Bass	June 21-March 01	5*	14" MINIMUM
Muskellunge	May 24-November 30	1	40" MINIMUM
Northern Pike	May 03-March 01	5	NO MINIMUM

<sup>\*</sup>During harvest season for each species; you are allowed a daily bag limit of five largemouth or smallmouth bass in total.

This report is interim only; data and findings should not be considered final. Results of creel surveys should be available by June of the year following the survey. If you are interested in a summary of the creel survey or want an update on this year's fyke netting and electrofishing survey results contact:

To access other northern Wisconsin fisheries surveys go to: http://dnr.wi.gov and search Ceded Territory Fisheries Reports

For answers to questions about fisheries management activities and plans for Hayward Lake, Sawyer County contact:

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